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Remarks/Arguments:

Applicants note that the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 12, 2004 has not been acknowledged by the Examiner. Applicants request that the Examiner send the initialed Form 1449 for this Information Disclosure Statement with the next Office Action.

Claims 1-16 are pending in the above-identified application. Claims 1-11, 15 and 16 are allowed, claims 12-14 are rejected as being anticipated by U.S. patent no. 6,816,904 to Ludwig et al. This ground for rejection is overcome by amending claim 12 to recite the additional steps of:

converting the video information to a form compatible with the television monitor; and

providing the video information to a computer monitor or a television monitor at the first location, responsive to the received select signal.

Basis for these amendments may be found in the specification at paragraph [0033] and Figure 1. With regard to claim 12, Ludwig et al. teaches transferring audio-video files between a plurality of workstations 40. Ludwig et al. do not disclose or suggest transferring audio-video files between a computer and a television. Each workstation in Ludwig et al. comprises a conventional desktop based computer system. (Col. 10, lines 57). The workstations do not include a television or a television monitor. The present invention is capable of converting video information to be compatible with a television monitor. Thus, a user can access video information while watching television programming in another room.

Because Ludwig et al. do not disclose or suggest the limitations of claim 12, claim 12 is not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) in view of Ludwig et al. Claims 13-14 depend from claim 1. Accordingly, claims 13-14 are not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) in view of Ludwig et al.

Applicants appreciate the allowance of claims 1-11, 15 and 16.

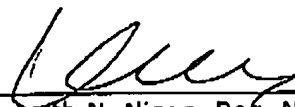
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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection of claims 12, 13 and 14.

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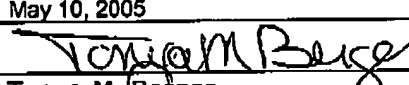
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